## A NOTE FROM THE LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR HOLY FAMILY RESIDENCE

## **Update: April 16, 2020**

As the situation around coronavirus (COVID-19) changes, we continue to take additional steps to best meet the needs of our Residents and Staff.

## We could use donations of:

- Hand Sanitizer
- Two new Ipads
- Store bought baked goods
- Sanitizing Wipes
- Handmade Masks
- Kleenex
- Surgical Masks
- Lysol Disinfectant Spray
- Pop (Coke & Root beer)
- Beer

## The items can be dropped off at the front desk.

- We continue to restrict visitors, volunteers and outside vendors.
- As per the Minnesota Dept. of Health guidelines all staff are wearing facemasks during their shift to protect the Residents.
- There is a set schedule for sanitizing and maintaining the cleanliness of all common areas.
- Additional hand rubs have been added throughout the building.
- Activities are being done in the hallways and Residents participate from their doorways. Staff are taking Residents outside in the back yard. Each Resident wears a facemask.
- Restorative Therapy is being done in the individual's room.
- Nursing staff are closely monitoring the Residents per CDC guidelines for COVID 19 symptoms.
- All staff are trying to minimize the number of visits to each Residents Room.
- All persons to enter the building are being screened per CDC/MDH recommendation.
- Maintenance staff are checking the ventilation system for filtration of clean air on a daily basis.

- The Sisters, Residents and Staff are praying special prayers for an end to this coronavirus pandemic. Mass is said in the chapel daily and Residents are able to watch Mass on their television.
- Social Services encourages Residents to keep contact with their families by: phone, video calls, etters, notes, and sending flowers.
- We are encouraging our Apartment Residents to follow the Governor's order "Stay at Home." Apartment Residents are not dining in the Home at this time. They are able to call in to request their meals. Dietary prepares individual meals for everyone requesting a meal and they are delivered to each person.
- At this time no one in our Home has COVID 19
- We will continue to keep you updated as things change.
- We are truly grateful for the outpouring of love and support from the community during these difficult times.